

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A kit for building a kayak, the kit comprising:
a pair of gunwales, wherein each of the pair of gunwales comprises a plurality of mortise holes;
a keel;
a plurality of stringers;
a plurality of deck beams;
a plurality of ribs;
a first and a second breast hook; and
a first and a second stem.
2. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising a skin.
3. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising a seat.
4. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising assembly directions.

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5. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, wherein the plurality of stringers comprise:

a plurality of hull stringers;

a stern deck stringer; and

a bow deck stringer.

6. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising a spacer.

7. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of floor boards.

8. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising assembly materials.

Claim 9 (Canceled)

10. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of ribs comprises a bend.

11. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising a paddle.

12. (Original) The kayak kit of claim 1, further comprising a personal flotation device.

Claim 13 (Canceled)

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14. (Currently amended) A method of building a kayak frame, the method comprising:

attaching a bow end of a first gunwale and a bow end of a second gunwale to a bow breast hook;

attaching a stern end of the first gunwale and a stern end of the second gunwale to a stern breast hook;

temporarily attaching a spacer between the first gunwale and the second gunwale at an approximate center of the first and second gunwales;

attaching a first deck beam to the first gunwale and the second gunwale on a first side of a center of the first gunwale and the second gunwale;

attaching a second deck beam to the first gunwale and the second gunwale on a second side of the center;

attaching a plurality of ribs to the first gunwale and the second gunwale; and

attaching a plurality of stringers to the plurality of ribs.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising attaching a plurality of floor boards to a cockpit area of the kayak.

16. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising attaching a skin to the kayak frame.

17. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising:

attaching a bow stem to the bow breast hook; and

attaching a stern stem to the stern breast hook.

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Claims 18-20 (Canceled)

21. (New) A kit for building a kayak, the kit comprising:

a set of materials for a plurality of kayak components for the kayak, wherein the plurality of kayak components includes a pair of gunwales, a keel, a plurality of stringers, a plurality of deck beams, a plurality of ribs, a first breast hook, a second breast hook, a first stem and a second stem, and wherein the set of materials includes at least one board from which at least one of the plurality of kayak components can be cut; and

a set of templates, wherein each template in the set of templates can be used to form at least one of the plurality of kayak components.

22. (New) The kayak kit of claim 21, wherein the set of materials further includes at least one of the plurality of kayak components in a preformed state.

23. (New) The kayak kit of claim 21, further including assembly instructions.

24. (New) The kayak kit of claim 23, wherein the assembly instructions include instructions on forming at least one of the plurality of kayak components.

25. (New) The kayak kit of claim 21, further comprising a skin.

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